

\$100,000 FIRE VISITED CITY CHRISTMAS MORNING

Dixon Had First Snow and the Coldest Christmas in Many Years

HOLIDAY TRAGEDIES IN TWO SOUTH DIXON HOMES

CHILDREN VICTIMS OF ACCIDENTS

One Boy is Fatally Burned; Another Shot to Death

Tragedy, coming on the eve of Christmas, turned Yuletide joy and happiness into deepest sorrow in two South Dixon township homes, taking from the family circles two boys, in whom the hopes of fond parents had been centered, and for whose pleasure holiday plans were in the making at the very hour the sad accidents befell them.

Edward Smith, 10, Victim of Gunshot

Edward George Smith, aged ten years, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George J. Smith residing in South Dixon township, met a tragic death Wednesday afternoon at the family home, when the top of his head was blown off, by a charge from a shot gun, at the hands of his three-year-old brother Kenneth. Just how the accident occurred will never be known. The father had been hunting rabbits in the morning and the gun, which was of the pump type, jammed one shell sticking. He returned home and set the gun in a corner in the kitchen. About 11:30, Kenneth, aged three, picked up the gun and whether he dropped it, snapping the trigger, or in some other way discharged the jammed shell is not known, but the full load struck his ten year old brother Edward in the top of the forehead, blowing away almost the entire top of the skull.

Died After Noon

Medical aid was summoned from Dixon but the boy died about 1 o'clock Wednesday afternoon, never having regained consciousness. Coroner F. M. Banker of Franklin Grove conducted an inquest over the remains at the home Wednesday afternoon, the jury returning a verdict of accidental death.

The father was in an adjoining room with a baby in his arms and the mother was busily engaged in preparing for the Christmas dinner when the gun discharged. There were no eye witnesses to the fatality and the little three-year-old brother was unable to account for the discharge of the weapon.

Fatally Burned as Parents Buy Presents

Oliver Luther Killian, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Oliver L. Killian, residing south of Dixon died at the Dixon hospital Christmas morning at 3:30 from shock following severe burns received late Wednesday.

The boy was playing with his brothers and sisters at their home Wednesday afternoon about 3 o'clock when he left the group and went to the kitchen, presumably to get a drink of water. A few minutes after he had left, a cry was heard and his brother Charles and the hired man, B. C. Fisher, were the first to reach the kitchen. The little fellow was enveloped in flames and screaming. The brother and farm hand used water in extinguishing the flames which had burned much of his clothing away, and the former telephoned for medical aid and then called neighbors who came to the Killian home at once.

Parents Buying Presents

Mr. and Mrs. Killian were in Dixon completing their Christmas shopping and the little fellow was bundled up and taken to the office of Dr. G. P. Powell who hurried him to the hospital. All that could be done to relieve his intense suffering, was done, but his condition grew worse and at 3:30 Christmas morning, death relieved his sufferings. His little body was buried in the Dixon cemetery.

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Young Woman Carried Twelve Miles, Unhurt, on Locomotive Pilot

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26.—Thrown onto the pilot of the Knickerbocker Special, fast Big Four passenger train, after the train had crashed into an automobile in which she was riding and injured three members of her family at a crossing here, Mrs. Kenneth Clark, 18 years old, of this city, had a wild twelve mile ride last night until she fell from the train into a ditch near Oakland, Indiana. Although unconscious when found a short time later by a farmer, she was not seriously injured, suffering only from exposure from the sub-zero weather and slight bruises. She was taken to a local hospital. A baby twenty months old was unhurt.

AWAIT REPORT PATHOLOGISTS ON M'CLINTOCK

Foster Parents Are Summoned Home to Be Questioned.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Chicago, Dec. 26.—Investigation of the death attributed to typhoid, of William N. McClintock, "millionaire orphan," waited today for the report of pathologists who examined his exhumed body for possible discovery of poison traces and the arrival here from Albuquerque, N. M., of William Shepherd, lawyer-chemist, chief heir to his estate.

FOSTER PARENTS RETURN.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Auburn, N. M., Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. William D. Shepherd, foster parents of William N. McClintock, the "millionaire orphan," into whose death an investigation is now being made in Chicago, left for Chicago last night in response to advices from their attorney that they had best be present during the investigation.

Tobogganing in Streets of Business Part Taboo

Fear of a possible fatality led the police today to issue warnings to youngsters who have selected the streets as ideal sliding places. In the downtown section boys were using their sleds today and the officers were busy warning them against the danger of being killed or crippled by coasting into moving automobiles. The warning is to be continued and coasting will not be permitted in the streets, Chief Van Bibber stated.

Publishers Appear in Postal Hearing

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 26.—Pressing ahead with his hearings on the administration's postal rate increase bill, with a view to completing them this week, the joint postoffice sub-committee of the Senate and House acted further today to representatives of publishing interests today to present arguments on the measure.

NINE DEAD, SIX MISSING, MANY HURT IN FLOOD

Christmas Eve Party Wiped Out By Dam Giving Away.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Saltville, Va., Dec. 26.—With nine bodies thus far recovered and six or seven persons still missing, the search for victims continued today in the area of the Holston river valley laid waste by the flood of lime-muck released by the breaking of a dam Wednesday night at the Matheson Alkali Works.

While more than a score of injured lay in an improvised hospital here, searchers continued to fight their way through the stretches of lime-whitened mud deposited by the torrent which virtually swept away the little settlement of workers below the dam.

Four or five of the injured are not expected to live and many are suffering from pneumonia resulting from their immersion in the icy waters and from burns caused by the alkali muck.

Think Some Are Buried.

Several of the bodies recovered had been carried six miles below the dam. Belief that some of the missing still lay buried under the muck kept the searchers at their task after more than 36 hours.

The river valley today, with its deep layer of lime mud, had the appearance of an ice gorge. Houses brushed over and crushed by the weight of the reservoir mixture and automobiles covered almost to their tops by it, presented a scene of desolation.

Most of the victims whose bodies have so far been recovered, were attending a Christmas eve party at the home of Harry Prater, the house nearest the dam. With only the minute's warning, a deafening roar as the dam broke, the merry-makers were trapped without a chance to save themselves as the house was engulfed. Occupants of some other houses which withstood the torrent managed to struggle through the mud and water to safety after the crest had been passed.

TWO MISSING AVIATORS ARE BEING SOUGHT

Have Not Been Seen Since They Left Yesterday.

BULLETIN

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Red bluff, Calif., Dec. 26.—An airplane believed to be that flown by Lieutenants Kelly and Miller which left Vancouver Barracks, Wash., at 1 p. m., yesterday, passed over Red bluff between 4 and 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, flying high and fast.

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 26.—Search is being made today for Lieut. O. G. Kelly and Lieut. H. C. Miller, who left Van Couver Barracks, Wash., yesterday at 1 o'clock for San Francisco. Up to 9 o'clock today they had not been reported here. They were last seen flying over Red bluff, Calif., at 4:30 o'clock yesterday.

The aviators were in a DeHavilland machine and were seen over Medford, Oregon at 3:30 o'clock yesterday. No report has been received since they were over Red bluff. The air service of the army at San Francisco began a search for the missing air men after the flight from Field, near Sacramento, reported the aviators had not arrived there.

Mrs. Simon Young Died on Christmas Afternoon

Mrs. Simon Young, colored, passed away at her home near the Northwestern depot yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, death being due to heart trouble. Coroner F. M. Banker of Franklin Grove was called to Dixon this morning to conduct an inquest into the death, which he decided was from natural causes. The body will be sent to West Point, Miss., for interment.

MERCURY TO SEVENTEEN BELOW ZERO

Deaths From Cold in Other Parts of the Nation Reported

40 Above in Nome, Alaska, While Lee Co. People Shiver

Nome, Alaska, Dec. 25.—While the United States and Canada were quaking under sub-zero blasts today, citizens of Nome revelled in 40 above weather. A temperature of 21 above, a week ago, stands as this year's record for cold.

BULLETIN

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Washington, Dec. 26.—The rise in temperature now in progress in sections of the west will be followed tomorrow night or Sunday by another cold wave in the lower lake region and the Ohio valley, the Weather bureau forecast today.

Dixon and Lee county people yesterday experienced their coldest Christmas in many years, some of the older residents claiming the mercury was lower yesterday than on any Christmas for fifty years.

Between 6 o'clock Wednesday evening and the same hour Christmas night the official government thermometer at the Arvenc 11, Lord residence, 415 First ave., registered 17 degrees below zero—the coldest of the winter.

But the crest of the year's second cold wave was passed during the night and temperatures as high as 15 degrees above are in prospect for this afternoon and tonight. Tomorrow will be less cold and the mercury may rise to the region of the freezing point. Snow flurries are a possibility today.

According to Henry J. Cox of Chicago, head of the weather bureau for this forecast area, yesterday was the first zero Christmas in Chicago in ten years and the fifth in the fifty-two years history of the weather bureau.

The year the bureau was established—1872—was 23 degrees below. In 1892 and 1904 the mercury stood at 2 below on Christmas day and in 1914 the minimum temperature was 1 below. Last year the minimum temperature on Christmas was 24 degrees above and the maximum 36.

RELIEF IS PROMISED

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Chicago, Dec. 26.—Partial relief from sub-zero temperatures that brought the coldest Christmas in years was promised today to the middle west while lowered temperatures were forecast for the east and the far west was gripped by cold that necessitated the use of smudges to protect the citrus crop, already seriously damaged.

Eleven deaths, four of them in Chicago, three in Ohio, two in Oregon and one each in Texas and California were the result of the cold. Three of the Chicagoans were frozen and the fourth, a policeman, was fatally injured in a fall on the ice. At Eugene, Oregon, two boys were drowned in a creek, partly covered by ice. Smudge smoke, obscuring the view of an electric train operator, caused the California death.

Christmas frost resulted in the estimated destruction of ten percent of the citrus crop in the Los Angeles district.

Chicago's Christmas was the coldest in 52 years and in Indianapolis it upset records back to 1878. Rock Island, Illinois, had the coldest Christmas since 1914 and the Mississippi river was reported frozen there to a depth of nine inches, enabling persons to walk across.

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WARDS OF COUNTY AND STATE WERE NOT FORGOTTEN

Christmas Observed at Co. Jail and Dixon State Hospital.

Through the kindness and consideration of Dr. Warren G. Murray and wife, superintendent of the Dixon State Hospital, together with his corps of assistants, more than a thousand of the unfortunate wards of Illinois, were accorded a delightful Christmas celebration at the institution Christmas Day. The program opened in the morning with the singing of Christmas carols at each of the ward cottages. An hour later, at 9 o'clock, Santa Claus accompanied by officials of the institution, made a round of the cottages and every patient was remembered with some form of gift.

The big treat of the day came at 12 o'clock when the annual Christmas dinner, which has come to be a feature long contemplated by the patients, was served. It was a real Christmas dinner with the menu as follows: cream of oyster soup, roast chicken, mashed potatoes, scalloped corn, candied sweet potatoes, cranberry sauce, pickles, mince pie, fruit cake, candy, nuts, coffee and cigars. In the evening moving pictures were shown followed by a concert, which closed a perfect day for the patients and attendants.

Program For Week

This evening, Miss Myrl Leonard, chief nurse, will be the director of a special entertainment as a part of the holiday program that has been arranged by Dr. Murray for patients and attendants. Saturday afternoon at 2:30 a party will be provided for the working patients at the institution. Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Secretary Hal V. Hunt of the Y. M. C. A. will conduct religious services at the institution.

The Y. M. C. A. Boy's Band under the direction of Earl Senneff will provide an entertainment and musical program for patients and attendants Monday evening. Tuesday evening, a community sing will provide entertainment. Wednesday a masquerade dance will be given at the institution, the patients being entertained from 7:30 to 9:30 and the employees from 9:30 to 12:30, seeing the old year out and the new year in. Special entertainment will be provided New Year's day with moving pictures in the evening.

CO. PRISONERS' CHRISTMAS

Prisoners in the Lee county jail were not forgotten yesterday, Christmas, but were remembered in many ways. About 7:30 Christmas Eve, a sextette of young ladies called at the jail and with the two doors from each of the cell chambers opened, they sang several carols. About 9:30 in the evening, a chorus composed of several mixed voices gathered on the west side of the jail and favored with several Christmas carols.

Yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. B. H. Cleaver of the Christian church, Mrs. J. E. Reagan and sister Mrs. Hunt, who is visiting her, called at the jail. The prisoners on each side were entertained separately, with an hour's program. Mrs. Reagan gave several appropriate Christmas readings. Rev. Cleaver talked and Mrs. Hunt led the singing, the prisoners joining in the spirit of the Christmas observance. At the close of the program each prisoner was remembered with a gift and the hour passed all too swiftly for these men.

Overheated Fireplace

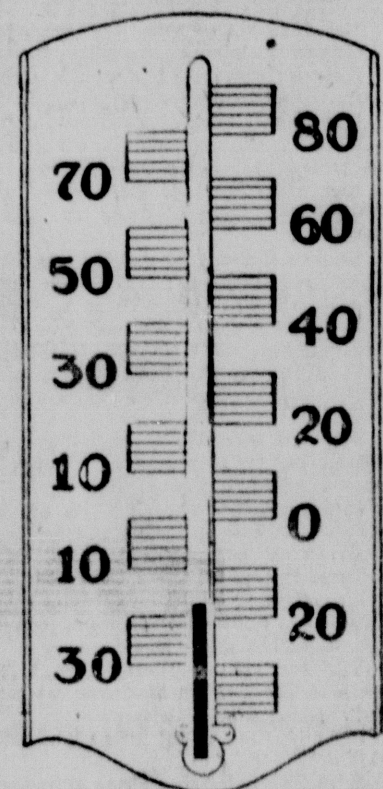
Cause of Morning Fire

An overheated fire place at the home of Bert Kestel, 701 North Galena avenue, was the cause of a fire alarm being turned in about 1 o'clock this morning. The fire department responded and extinguished the flames with but slight damage to the property.

Garage Was Full, so Young Swain is Ahead

A young man from out of town who is paying attention to a Dixon young lady drove up to the Duffy garage about 1:30 Thursday morning and asked to have his car taken in for the night, but was informed that the garage was full. He then drove to the Nettz garage, thereby saving his car.

17 BELOW ZERO



The coldest weather of the winter—the lowest the thermometer has been in Dixon on Christmas Day for many years—was experienced by Lee county people early Christmas morning when the mercury in the government register fell to 17 degrees below zero. During today there has been welcomed moderation in the temperature.

GOODFELLOWS ACTED SANTA TO 153 KIDS

Happiness Given to Many Hearts Thru the Campaign.

Was the Goodfellow Campaign in Dixon a success this year? Ask the poor kids, and they will rise in mass and respond with a mighty "YEA BO, IT WAS."

The Goodfellows, acting as a proxy for Santa Claus, visited 153 poor kids, working up until late Christmas Eve, delivering bundles, etc., all over the city. The total fund raised by the cash donations was \$67.45 which is truly a remarkable demonstration of the generosity of the good people of Dixon and vicinity. A few final donations came in late Wednesday. They were J. A. Whitish, \$2; a Friend \$1, and the Bond School children, who had previously sent in their donation, added 26 cents to their gift to the poor youngsters.

A complete recapitulation of the campaign will be published in The Telegraph tomorrow.

THE WEATHER

ONE OF THE SURPRISES OF CHRISTMAS MORNING IS OPENING PRESENT AND FINDING IT ISN'T WHAT YOU KNEW IT WAS



FRIDAY, DEC. 26, 1924

By Associated Press Leased Wire
ILLINOIS: Partly overcast tonight and Saturday; warmer in southeast portion tonight; colder Saturday or Saturday night.

CHICAGO AND VICINITY: Partly overcast and somewhat unsettled tonight and Saturday; colder Saturday; lowest temperature tonight about 6 above; strong west shifting to north-west winds.

WISCONSIN: Partly overcast tonight and Saturday; probably snow near Lake Superior; colder Saturday in northwest portion tonight.

IOWA: Partly overcast tonight and Saturday; colder.

DOWNING BUILDING BURNED TO GROUND; SIXTY AUTOS LODGE EQUIPMENT LOST

Coldest Night of Winter Hampered the Firemen From Dixon, Sterling and Amboy in Fight- ing Fire; Sufferers are Many

A \$100,000 fire was Dixon's Christmas present for 1924.

The worst fire of the year, breaking out at 2 o'clock Christmas morning in the furnace room of the George J. Downing building on East First street, which was occupied by the John W. Duffy garage and Dixon Council, Knights of Columbus, completely destroyed the building and its contents, which included in the neighborhood of sixty automobiles, all of the lodge's equipment, and a large stock of garage machinery, tools, accessories and supplies.

The efforts of the Dixon, Sterling and Amboy fire departments, working in a temperature of 14 degrees below zero, were necessary to prevent the fire spreading to other buildings; and over a million gallons of water were poured into the fire and the burning ruins.

ESTIMATED FIRE LOSS.		
	Loss	Insurance
George J. Downing, building	\$30,000	\$23,000
John W. Duffy, seven autos and stock	20,000	7,000
Knights of Columbus, equipment	3,000	1,000
Darby Orchestra, instruments	500	None
H. C. Warner, building	500	500
Dixon Floral Co., plants, etc.	500	500
George J. Downing, Buick	1,400	1,200
Blackhawk Stage Co., Rockford, bus	11,000	11,000
A. C. Dillmeyer, Ford	400	300
L. G. Rorer, Cadillac	4,000	4,000
James Palmer, Ford	580	580
Ray Arnold, Ford	350	350
Other cars, listed below	36,540	Unknown
Total	\$103,770	\$49,430

CARS DESTROYED

Because the record of storage cars in the Duffy garage was destroyed by the flames, a complete list of the vehicles burned was impossible today, the Telegraph having compiled the following list as best it could from various sources. No figures on insurance were obtained and the estimated loss is made by automobile men who knew the respective cars:

	Loss
C. C. Hintz, Packard	\$2,000
J. E. Valle, Flint	1,400
Elmer Zimmerman, Hudson	2,900
Lee Fenn, Buick	500
A. C. Hight, Ford	370
John Kane, Ford	700
Ross Lally, Chevrolet	500
E. Forester, Ford	300
Ed Jones, Oldsmobile	1,400
Mrs. John Nagle, Chandler	1,500
Alice Meppen, Durant	400
George Fruin, Chevrolet	400
Harry Garman, Durant	400
R. Sunderland, Star	800
C. Barrage, Ford	370
Ray Briscoe, Star	850
Wm. Anderson, Chgo., Essex	1,000
Harry Williams, Ford	1,500
H. C. Dixon, Durant	300
Jas. Dwyer, Chevrolet	1,000
Will Cahill, Oldsmobile	600
K. W. Kenaga, Ford	300
Ted Talty, Ford	300
F. Chapman, Packard	3,800
Sinclair Oil Co., 2 trucks	1,500
Standard Oil Co., truck	500
Herbert Nichol, truck	3,000
A. Scott, Chevrolet	500
Fred Hatch, Ford	600
Frank Kreim, truck	200
T. Rossier, Dodge	1,800
Chas. Finley, Ford	700
Lee O'Brien, Durant	200
H. F. Zimple, Chevrolet	700
Max Gerdes, Ford	200
At least 10 other cars, owners unknown, estimated	4,900
Total	\$36,540

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TODAY'S MARKET REPORTS

Swinging Wires Hurt

Telegraph AP. Service
Cold weather and swinging wires to the east of Dixon seriously interfered with the Associated Press' leased wire to the Telegraph today, and as a result much news, matter including many of the market quotations, were not received.

Liberty Bond Close.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
New York, Dec. 26.—Liberty bonds closed.
Liberty 3 1/2 100.25
1st 4 1/2 101.50
2nd 4 1/2 101.50
3rd 4 1/2 101.50
4th 4 1/2 101.50
U. S. Treasury 4 1/2 101.14
Treasury 4 1/2 101.26

Chicago Produce.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Chicago, Dec. 26.—Potatoes: trade moderate, stronger; receipts 43 cars; total U. S. shipments Wednesday 445; Thursday 3; Wisconsin sacked round whites, some slightly frozen 1.10@1.15.
Poultry alive unsettled; fowls 15¢; 21; springs 24; roosters 15; turkeys 30; ducks 24; geese 21.
Butter unsettled, creamery extras 41; standards 40; extra firsts 39@40; firsts 38@39; seconds 37@38.
Eggs: higher; receipts 2577 cases; firsts 50¢; ordinary firsts 35¢; 40¢; refrigerator extras 49 firsts 35¢@39.

Chicago Livestock.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Chicago, Dec. 26.—Hogs: 42,000; 15 @25¢; higher; mostly more, big packers holding back; 240 to 260 pound average 10.40@10.70; top 10.80; 180 to 225 lbs. 9.90@10.50; pigs light 10.50@10.60; higher; strong weight slaughter pigs 10.50@10.75; few up to 9.00; packing 10.10; light hogs 7.75@9.75; pack 10.80; medium hogs 9.75@10.75; lights 8.75; hogs 9.75@10.00; heavy hogs 10.40@10.50; hogs smooth 9.75@10.15; rough 9.50@9.75; slaughter pigs 7.50@9.00.
Cattle: 9000; kills active, strong to unevenly higher; fed steers strong broad, killing quality medium, early top heavy steers 11.50; part load light yearlings 11.00; bulk fed steers 8.25@10.00; best weight 10.35; heavy heifers up to 8.00; bulls scarce, vealers erratic, steady to 1 1/2¢ higher; good to choice 160 to 180 pound average showing advances; bulk vealers on packer account 10.25@10.50; according to weight; choice hands up to 15.00.
Sheep: 15,000 active, fat lambs 25¢; hogs higher; early bulk 18.50@19.00; top 18.25; choice cullers 14.50; yearlings 15.00@15.50; ewes 7.50@9.00; feeding lambs choice weight 16.50.

Chicago Grain Table.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
Chicago, Dec. 26.—High Low Close
WHEAT—1.73 1.73 1.73 1.73
CORN—1.24 1.24 1.24 1.24
OATS—60 61 61 61
BELLIES—16.25
LARD—16.55 16.70 16.40 16.67
RIBS—16.70
RYE—1.52 1.52 1.52 1.52

Wall Street Review.

By Associated Press Leased Wire
New York, Dec. 26.—Resumption of trading in the stock market after the Christmas holiday, was marked by another upturn in prices. Coppers assumed leadership of the advance, American Smelting mounting two points and breaking into new high ground along with Inaconda and Kennecott. General Motors also reached a new 1924 record at 64 1/2, on an initial sale of 3500 shares.
With virtually all the coppers and smelting issues establishing new records, trading was stimulated in other stocks, particularly high priced specialties which have been responsive to concerted buying. Department store shares responded to reports of a substantial increase in holiday business and some of the public utilities moved up under leadership of Market Street Railway issues. Rails were sluggish. Fisher Body jumped 3 1/2 points. Among the popular issues which gained a point or more were American Locomotive, New York Central and Dupont. Foreign exchanges opened steady.
Maintenance of the 4 1/2 per cent rate for call money failed to dampen bullish enthusiasm which rose to new heights when L. S. Steel surged up to 119 1/2, highest since 1917. Several other metals, motors, equipment and minor stocks smashed previous 1924 maximum quotations. Calumet and Arizona climbed 4 and American Car & Foundry, General Electric and U. S. Realty jumped 3 points or more while American and Baldwin Locomotives, Colorado Fuel, Sears Roebuck and At-

Local Briefs

Miss Cora Pope of Oregon, who has been visiting at the home of her brother, Earl Pope, has returned to her home.

Joe Leichen of Grand Detour was in Dixon on business Wednesday.

William Rogers of Chicago is spending a few days in Dixon.

—Have you seen Hal Bardwell, the insurance man, about fire insurance? Do it today. Tomorrow you might burn out.

Miss Etta Remsburg spent Christmas with her parents in Ohio station.

Miss Lilla Fisher spent Christmas in Sublette with her parents.

Miss Ruth Kerz who is teaching in Fulton spent Christmas in Dixon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Kerz.

Dave Welty of Walton was in Dixon Tuesday.

Minrod Fassler of Route 5, was a business caller in Dixon Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Drew of Palmyra were in Dixon Wednesday.

Miss Minnie Wagner of St. Charles spent Christmas in Dixon with her mother.

Miss Evelyn Chase of Sterling and Herman Chase of Polo spent Christmas in Dixon with Miss Isadora Chase and Miss Ruby Miller.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Hanneken spent Christmas in Rockford with Mr. and Mrs. Jay Thomas.

Mr. and Mrs. Melven Coster of Rock Island spent Christmas with Mrs. Coster's father Thomas Ford.

Ray Cook of Franklin Grove was a business caller in Dixon Tuesday.

Ralph Hayes of Franklin Grove was in Dixon on business Tuesday.

George Stewart of Franklin Grove was a business caller in Dixon Tuesday.

The Misses Matilda and Anna Johnson spent Christmas at the home of their brother, L. C. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Dyar and Miss Cecil Dyar were in Dixon Tuesday.

George Garrett of Ashton was in Dixon on business Tuesday.

Clair Colwell of Franklin Grove was a Dixon caller Wednesday.

Miss Frances Campbell is visiting in Chicago at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Spindler spent Christmas in Peoria at the home of Mr. Spindler's parents.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fries of Galena spent Christmas at the home of Mrs. Fries' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Campbell.

John Byers, Jr., of Chicago spent Christmas at the home of his parents Mr. and Mrs. John Byers.

William Daunter and Guy Miller were in Sterling on business Wednesday.

Miss Marian Cahill spent Thursday in Rockford.

John Reitz of Ashton was a business caller in Dixon Wednesday.

George LeFevre of Palmyra was in Dixon on business Wednesday.

Castle Rock Man Got Fine Tomahawk Head

While digging a trench for a concrete foundation at the foot of Castle Rock early this week, Ray Smith of that vicinity, uncovered a perfectly preserved Indian tomahawk head, weighing five pounds. He brought the relic to Dixon today and exhibited it.

See the complete line of Atwater Kent Radios at Theo. J. Miller & Sons. 22 23 26

INSURANCE! Fire or auto. Come and let us talk it over. H. U. Bardwell, Sec. Loan & Building Ass'n.

Are you thinking of getting married? If so come in and see our beautiful invitations and announcements. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

Just received a large shipment of the latest Atwater Kent Radios, Theo. J. Miller & Sons. 22 23 26

Fires are numerous this time of year. Before one overtakes you see Hal Bardwell about the good companies he represents.

If you have not insured your car it will be to your advantage to talk it over with H. U. Bardwell, the insurance man, East First St., Dixon, Ill.

Healo, the best foot powder will give aching tired feet relief. Ask your druggist for a box.

Fresh Martha Washington Candies at Campbell's White Cross Drug Store. 29410

Buy an Atwater Kent Radio and be sure of a Merry Christmas. Theo. J. Miller & Sons. 22 23 26

H. U. Bardwell wants to insure your house, your barn, your auto in one of the very best companies in the United States.

DOWNING BUILDING BURNED TO GROUND

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men and it was only a miracle that some of them were not seriously injured by falling walls and explosions, or possibly killed. The wind blew fire brands to adjoining buildings and a constant watch was necessary to prevent the blaze from spreading to other buildings. Repeatedly streams of water had to be turned on adjacent buildings to extinguish small fires.

Sterling and Amboy Aid.

While the fire was at its height, a call was sent for assistance from the Sterling and Amboy departments, both responding with their trucks and equipment.

Commissioner Frank Thomas of the department of public health and safety and Chief Connel Nicol accompanied the Sterling department to Dixon and upon their arrival immediately relieved the Dixon firemen, many of whom were near exhaustion.

The Amboy department members arrived about the same time and they too gave their assistance in confining the blaze and preventing its spread to adjacent buildings.

Cut Gas and Electricity.

A gas main leading into the rear of the building off Commercial street was broken by the falling debris and for almost an hour 6,500 cubic feet of illuminating gas poured into the mass of wreckage and added fuel to the flames.

The gas pressure throughout the city was turned off at 4 o'clock and was not resumed until 7:30.

Poles carrying wires supplying electric current to down town circuits were burned and scorched by the heat of the flames or broken by the falling walls and the city in the business section was in darkness for some time until crews of linemen could re-route the service over other circuits and erect temporary lines.

The telephone service was also crippled to some extent for a time.

The latter cold froze the water as it left the hose when not close to the fire and several times firemen were knocked down and bruised by leads of hose that had become unmanageable.

The hose froze and when firemen were called to another location the heavy pressure of water whipped the hose around as if a piece of steel.

On Job Until 8 A. M.

It was not until about 4 o'clock that the fire was declared by Chief Thomas Coffey to be under control.

The department was relieved for a time by the Sterling and Amboy firemen only to resume their duties after making a change of clothing and securing a hot lunch.

Not until 8 o'clock in the morning could they return to the station and throughout the day, streams of water were kept playing into the basement of the structure which was piled high with smoldering wreckage and debris.

The heat from the flames, when they reached their greatest intensity in the chimney-like enclosure of the high brick walls, blistered paint and cracked big plate glass windows in all the buildings on the south side of First street, across from the burning structure.

Mosholder's garage, Rogers' printing plant, Cromwell's electric shop, Kline's tire and accessory store and the Reed furniture store all had plate glass windows broken by the heat.

Practically all of this glass is insured, and the amount of loss in this particular cannot be determined, pending the replacement of the broken panes and fixing the amount of salvage possible out of each window.

Last Hiding and Auto.

George J. Downing, owner of the building, was unable to estimate his loss—the building having been constructed a number of years ago under labor and material conditions far different than those which now prevail.

He carried insurance to the amount of \$23,000, he announced to The Telegraph Thursday afternoon.

And in addition to the loss of his building he had a new Buick car consumed in the flames, the car being valued at \$1,400, on which he carried \$1,200 insurance.

John W. Duffy, owner of the garage business, this morning estimated his loss on cars—seven of which he lost in the fire—equipment, repairs, supplies, etc., at \$20,000, with partial insurance.

Second Fire in Building.

When the fire was first discovered, Mr. Duffy was at work in the office taking care of night calls for taxis, of which there were many, and was with Mr. Miller when the latter attempted to put out the fire.

Remembering the fire scare they had experienced last spring, when a similar blaze was discovered in the furnace

room of the building, at which time the flames were extinguished without much damage, Mr. Duffy did not anticipate a serious fire until it spread like tinder immediately after Mr. Miller had thrown a bucket of water onto the wooden partition of the boiler room, where the blaze was first discovered.

As the flames spread garage employees were able to drag the safe, containing all of the accounts of the garage and the Durant Taxi Co., of which Mr. Duffy is also proprietor, from the building—but the desk, containing a register of the storage cars and other important papers, was destroyed, and a complete list of the owners of storage cars in the building at the time of the fire was impossible early today.

Coffee for Firemen.

During the fire the Saratoga Cafe made 100 gallons of coffee, which was served to the members of the three fire departments, and the men also were made welcome in the kitchen of the cafe, where they warmed themselves over the big ranges.

Early Christmas morning Mr. Duffy established headquarters for his taxi service at the Saratoga, where he announced Thursday evening, he would maintain them until other quarters can be obtained.

Among the costly cars destroyed was one of the Black Hawk Motor Bus Company's big passenger busses which run between Rockford and Dixon. This machine was valued at \$11,000, and it was reported it was fully insured. The bus had tied up at the garage preparatory to its first trip to Rockford Christmas morning.

Flower Shop Suffered.

The Dixon Floral Co. store, east of the destroyed building, also suffered, the building being damaged to about \$500 and the loss to the floral company, through frozen plants, caused by the breaking of the glass roof over the conservatory, being a similar amount.

Attorney H. C. Warner, owner of the building this morning stated he was fully insured, and the floral company is also protected by its insurance.

Music instruments belonging to the members of the Darby orchestra, valued at about \$800, which were in the flames. None of the instruments was insured, it was announced today.

To Raze Brick Walls.

Fire Chief Thomas Coffey stated this morning that the work of dismantling the east and west walls of the building would start this afternoon. Ira Mighels with his wrecking equipment was to assist the fire department in shoving over the heavy brick walls which were endangering other property adjoining.

In the fire, the city department was taxed almost to the limit on equipment. Chief Coffey stated that 1,550 feet of hose was used in the four streams which were played into the building.

Shortly after 3 o'clock Thursday morning after the blaze was under control the department was called to the Eph Hess blacksmith shop on Peoria avenue. Some one had noticed a fire in the rear of the building and members of the department arrived, they found a sick horse being treated and returned at once to the garage fire.

Firemen Suffered.

Not a member of the fire department or volunteers who assisted, but suffered from some injury or from exposure. Chief Coffey was struck in the small of the back and thrown several feet when a lead of hose whipped about in the street, the men at the nozzle having slipped on the ice and lost control of it.

Albert Fordyce was struck across the right arm and his leg knocked from under him by a second lead of hose which became unmanageable. Arthur Penny had part of his right hand frozen and every member of the department was frost bitten and suffered from exposure.

Million Gal. of Water.

More than a million gallons of water were thrown onto the fire, according to figures furnished by George W. Hawley of the Dixon Water company this morning. The pumps at the plant on Artesian Place pumped 1,019,400 gallons of water from the time the alarm was turned in until 10 o'clock yesterday morning, and since that time one stream of water has been playing in the basement on the debris.

Ask Hal about it. He will tell you of the insurance companies in the United States in which to insure your house, your barn, your garage, or auto. You will find him at the Dixon Loan and Building Ass'n. Tel. 23.

Fresh Martha Washington Candies at Campbell's White Cross Drug Store. 294 10

Do it today. Tomorrow might be too late. Insure that automobile. Hal will take care of it for you. He is on the job at the Dixon Loan and Building Ass'n. from 8 to 6. Drop in anytime.

CHILDREN VICTIMS OF ACCIDENTS

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to the knees and about the neck. It is known that he had inhaled a great deal of the flame.

Dr. F. M. Banker of Franklin Grove coroner, conducted an inquest over the remains at the Preston mortuary yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock, the jury returning a verdict finding that death was due to shock following accidental burns.

Had Played With Oil.

B. L. Fisher, who is employed at the Killian farm, testified that the little fellow had been pouring kerosene into the cook stove a few minutes earlier in the afternoon and at that time he warned the child and sent him back to play with his brothers and sisters.

About ten minutes later, the boy went back to the kitchen under the pretext of getting a drink. A short time later his cries were heard and he was found enveloped in flames.

He was born in South Dixon township, August 5, 1921. Beside his sorrow stricken parents, he is survived by three sisters, Velma, Evelyn and Dorothy and three brothers, Charles, William and Donald all at home.

The funeral will be held from the family home Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. Lloyd W. Walter officiating and with interment in Oakwood.

Franklin, Paw Paw Elevators in Co-op.

On Monday of this week V. Vaniman, representing the Illinois Cooperative Association met with the Farmers' Elevator Board of Directors at Franklin Grove and Paw Paw. It was for the purpose of explaining the cooperative audit service that Mr. Vaniman met with the Elevator Boards.

Just recently the Lee County Farm Bureau retained the services of the Illinois Cooperative Association to audit the Farm Bureau accounts, a brief report of which was read at their annual meeting Tuesday. There have been since last June, a total of 120 farmers' organizations joined the association, and the accounts of 60 have already been examined for the first time. It is the purpose of the Association to furnish farm organizations expert auditing and accounting and business advising service at actual cost very much as bankers' clearing houses operate in the larger cities.

Ice Harvest is Started Today by Dixon Ice Co.

With a fine quality of 12 inch ice on the Dixon Pure Ice company's field east of the city, the task of harvesting the annual crop was started today. A large force of men have been working clearing the snow and planing the surface, making ready for the necessary thickness. The cold weather of this week has frozen the ice to a 12 inch thickness which is considered very unusual for this time of the year. Due to the low water stage, the ice is of exceptional quality.

Large forces of men will be added at once to rush the harvesting of the crop. Company officials expect that no less than 150,000 tons will be cut from the local field in the next few weeks to be stored and shipped to the cutting plant today in front of the store house east of the city.

Ten-Year-Old Boy is Taken on Christmas Day

Jack Franks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Franks, 720 Third street, passed away yesterday afternoon at 1:30 at the family home, death relieving him of a suffering of several months duration. He was born in Dixon, Nov. 15, 1914, and is survived by his parents.

The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Franks home with interment in Oakwood.

Get your Atwater Kent Radio at Theo. J. Miller & Sons, the authorized agent for Dixon. 22 23 26

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Society

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Monday.
Chapter A. C. Illinois P. E. O.—Mrs. A. H. Nichols, 618 Galena Ave.

Tuesday.
Zion Household Science Club—Zion Church.

NO REHEARSAL DURING WINTER MONTHS—
There will be no rehearsal of the Christian church choir during the winter months.

TO SPEND WEEKEND HERE—
Albert Janka of Evanston, will arrive in Dixon to spend the weekend-end in Dixon, joining his wife, at the home of her parents, County Clerk and Mrs. Fred Dimick.

CHAPTER A. C. ILLINOIS P. E. O., TO MEET—
Chapter A. C. Illinois P. E. O. will meet Monday afternoon with Mrs. A. H. Nichols, 618 Galena avenue.

Glassburn-Patterson Marriage Took Place Christmas

A marriage of much interest to Dixon and Amboy friends was that of Christmas day, when Miss Lucile Patterson of Dixon and LeRoy Glassburn of Amboy were united in marriage.

The ceremony was solemnized in Rockford at 3 o'clock in the afternoon at the parsonage to the Trinity Lutheran church, by the assistant pastor, Rev. O. Garfield Beckstrand.

The bride and bridegroom were attended by Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Noble of Rockford.

The members of the bridal party enjoyed a dinner after the ceremony.

The honeymoon will be spent in the Grantway Apartments, Rockford.

Mrs. Glassburn has been conducting a most successful beauty parlor in Dixon, and since her residence here of about a year or so, has made many warm friends.

Mrs. Glassburn is a successful and popular business man of Amboy, where he has resided for many years, and where he conducts the Ford Garage.

Best wishes are extended the couple by their many friends.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER CHRISTMAS DAY—
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carpenter of Marion township entertained their son Attorney Guy Carpenter of Chicago and son, Donald, at Christmas dinner.

ENTERTAINED AT FIVE HUNDRED AND SUPPER—
Mr. and Mrs. Glenn McWethy entertained last evening Miss Lella Preston and Harold Davis with a supper, followed by a happy evening at five hundred.

Happy Surprise for Mrs. Albert Jenks

A very happy surprise was held Wednesday at the Court House in honor of Mrs. Albert Jenks, (formerly Miss Margaret Dimick) daughter of County Clerk and Mrs. Fred Dimick, who had been assisting in her father's office at the Court House and who was married last week to Albert Jenks of Evanston, surprising her many friends.

Wednesday the girls of the Court House, ten in number, planned a picnic dinner and a table decorated in a miniature tree, with beautiful decorations was surrounded by the happy group. Red and green nut cups and favors carried out the joyous holiday spirit and the delicious dinner further added to the festive occasion. The entire affair was a great surprise to the guest of honor and she was too much astonished to gasp at first but soon recovered and entered into the merriment. Then again she was surprised

when the girls presented her with gifts of many handsome towels. Mrs. Jenks appreciated the pretty courtesy and thanked her friends for their gifts and the kind thoughts prompting their presentation.

MERCURY TO SEVENTEEN BELOW ZERO

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from Southern California, today, as the result of cold weather which forced the thermometer below zero at points in California, Washington and Nevada. Smudge pots were pouring black smoke through the California citrus belt near Los Angeles this morning to prevent additional damage to the crop which was frost bitten yesterday, resulting in the estimated destruction of 10 percent of the crop.

Children Imperiled in School House Fire

The lives of 18 children were imperiled Wednesday morning and only prompt efforts on the part of nearby farmers saved the building, when a fire was discovered in the roof of the West Heights school located five miles west of Rockford on the Grant Highway.

Motorist Sees Blaze

A passing motorist, seeing flames creeping up the roof of the structure, stopped at the Archie McGeech school, a short distance beyond the school, and gave the alarm. A neighbor, who happened to be visiting at the McGeech home, assisted the farmer in securing a ladder and other paraphernalia which was thrown in a bob sled and the trip to the school house was made in record time.

Miss Ellis Cook, instructor at the school, was unaware of the blaze until news was conveyed by the farmers. Exercising rare presence of mind, she had the pupils don their wraps and leave the building without any panic.

'Hello' Girls Aid

Telephone operators assisted in spreading the alarm to nearby farms and in a few minutes several cars loaded with volunteers had arrived on the scene and the fire was soon under control.

The blaze, which was confined to the roof and attic, was supposed to have started from a spark from the chimney.

Former Dixon Woman Fractured Her Wrist

Word has been received from Atlantic City, N. J., of an accident which recently befell Mrs. Catherine L. Paine, who will be remembered by many Dixonites, being the wife of the late Dr. E. T. Paine. Mrs. Paine slipped and fell on a stairs recently, fracturing her right wrist, and is suffering a great deal of pain.</



WOMEN'S INTERESTS



Society

Friday.
Minnie Bell Rebekah Lodge—I. O.
O. F. Hall.

Christmas eve of long ago!
Little stockings in a row
Hung with care, and mouths all wide,
Giggling by the chimney side.

Children's chatter, eager, sweet,
Romping pitter of little feet;
Hearts all fluttering with delight,
Eyes with questioning wonder bright.

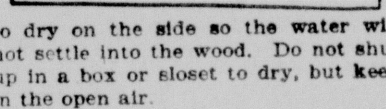
Children, when their prayers were
said,
Frolicking away to bed,
With the Child of Bethlehem
In their hearts, a child with them!

Home hearts, which home joys could
fill,
Shrines of peace and all good-will;
Happy hands of parent thrift
Placing for each child some gift.

Little stockings in a row,
Filled at last from top to toe!
Years nor grief can dim its glow,
Christmas eve of long ago!

—Stokely S. Fisher.

HOUSEHOLD SUGGESTIONS—
To Clean Brushes.
To clean scrubbing brushes rinse
them well in clean water and stand

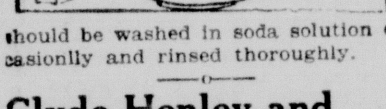


to dry on the side so the water will
not settle into the wood. Do not shut
up in a box or closet to dry, but keep
in the open air.

Squeeze Water Out.
Do not twist wooden materials when
laundrying them. The water should
be squeezed out gently. Likewise
wools should not be boiled or rubbed.

Wash Milk Bottle.
As soon as you have emptied a milk
bottle, fill it at once with cold water
and leave filled until ready to wash.

Should Be Washed.
Waxed or oiled cleaning cloths
should be washed in soda solution oc-
casionaly and rinsed thoroughly.



Clyde Henley and
Miss Wolf Marry

Clyde Henley of Dixon and Miss
Florence Wolf of Polo were united in
marriage Tuesday evening at the par-
sonage to St. Paul's Lutheran church,
Rev. L. W. Walter, pastor of the
church, officiating at the ceremony,
which took place at about 7 o'clock.

The couple were attended by Miss
Myrtle Henley, sister of the bride-
groom and by Mr. Hartman.

Mr. and Mrs. Henley, who have
many friends, are receiving the sin-
cere good wishes of all.

M. E. CHOR TO
REHEARSE

The choir of the Methodist church
is requested to meet at the church to-
night for a short rehearsal promptly
at 7:30.

Next Sunday morning the choir will
repeat several numbers which were
given last Sunday evening and it will
be necessary for all members to be
in their places.

ENTERTAINED AT CHRISTMAS
DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McWethy of
the Kingdom entertained at Christmas
dinner, George McWethy, Mr. and
Mrs. A. Motes, Rev. Sellers and fam-
ily and E. E. Rice and family, Mr.
and Mrs. Harry Weigle. After the
dinner the pleasant afternoon was en-
joyed in music.

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Every woman thrills to this
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Menus for a Family

Tested by C. SISTER MARY

Breakfast—Baked apples, rolled
oats, thin cream, potato omelet, stew-
ed tomatoes with toast cubes, corn
bread, milk, coffee.

Luncheon—Cream of potato soup,
croustons, jellied salad, peanut butter
sandwiches, brown sugar pudding, cup
cakes, milk, tea.

Dinner—Beef stew with dumplings,
mashed potatoes, creamed turnips,
apple-cider nut salad, Cumberland pud-
ding, whole wheat bread, milk, cof-
fee.

The jellied salad should be mostly
jelly and lettuce when served to ju-
niors under school age.

Grated cheese is served with the po-
tato soup in the luncheon menu plan-
ned for the day. This, in combination
with the dishes suggested, takes the
place of meat in the menu.

Potato Omelet.
Two-thirds cup diced bacon, 2 cups
boiled potatoes cut in dice, 1/2 tea-
spoon salt, 1/4 teaspoon pepper, five
eggs, 5 tablespoons milk.

Slice bacon very thin, remove rinds
and cut the slices into small pieces to
make two-third cup. Cook in a hot
omelet pan or frying pan until crisp.
Add potatoes, salt and pepper and
cook until thoroughly heated, shaking
the pan frequently over the fire. Beat
eggs slightly with milk and pour over
potatoes. The pan should be very hot
when the eggs are added. Reduce
heat and cook until eggs are firm to
the touch. This can be done in the
oven or on top of the stove. Fold
like an omelet and serve at once.

Jellied Salad.
Two tablespoons granulated gela-
tine, 1/2 cup cold water, 2 cups boiling
water, one-third cup lemon juice, 1/4
cup vinegar, 1/2 cup sugar, 1 tea-
spoon salt, 15 pimento stuffed olives,
12 tiny sweet pickles, 1/2 cup diced
celery.

Soften gelatine in cold water and
add boiling water. Stir until dissolv-
ed. Add sugar and when cool add
lemon juice, salt and vinegar. When
beginning to stiffen fold in the stuffed
olives cut in slices, the pickles finely
chopped and the celery. Pour into a
mold and let stand until chilled and
firm. Remove from the mold and
serve on a bed of lettuce. Boiled
dressing or mayonnaise can be used.

This makes an excellent winter sal-
ad when green things are scarce.

Brown Sugar Pudding.
Two cups brown sugar, 2 cups boil-
ing water, 2 tablespoons corn-starch,
1/2 cup nut meats. Boil sugar and
water for three minutes. Make a
smooth paste with a little cold water
stirred into cornstarch. Stir into
the boiling sirup and cook until thick.
Add nuts and remove at once from the
fire and chill. Serve with whipped
cream.

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ZION HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE
CLUB TO MEET

The members of the Zion House-
hold Science club will meet Tuesday in an
all-day meeting and their annual
Christmas party, the meeting to be
held in the basement of the Zion
church. There will be a picnic dinner
and program and two grab bags, one
for the children and one for the adults.

WERE GUESTS ON
CHRISTMAS DAY

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Coe and daugh-
ter, Carol, of Springfield, Ill., were
Christmas guests at the home of his
parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Coe.

CURTIS RICE TO SING
SUNDAY MORNING

Curtis Rice will sing Sunday morn-
ing at the Christian church, "There is
a Land," by Johnson.

ENTERTAINED AT CHRISTMAS
DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Hoyle of Peoria
avenue entertained guests Christmas
day at turkey dinner.



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nerves and muscles of
the eyes in your effort to
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correct your vision. If our
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close a need you will be
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Fifty-eighth Wedding Anniversary Observed

Mt. Morris, Ill., Dec. 23—Special to
the Telegraph.—Saturday, Dec. 20,
1924, was the 58th wedding anniver-
sary of Mr. and Mrs. Henry L. Thomas
of Mt. Morris, and the day was fitting-
ly observed in their home by a com-
pany of relatives, invited by their
daughter, Mrs. Kathryn Mumma. The
ladies came with an excellent dinner
which they served to 26 guests, includ-
ing the family. Those present were:
Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Shaw, Mr. and
Mrs. John Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Lee
Thomas and son, Jay, Mr. and Mrs.
Frank Thomas and sons, Sammie and
Cramer and daughter, Mary, Mr. and
Mrs. Noble Thomas and son, Worth-
ington, and daughter, Marion, J. O.
Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Gregor Thomp-
son and daughter, Harriett, Mrs. Kath-
ryn Mumma and daughter, June, Miss-
es Mildred and Pauline Zoller, and Mr.
and Mrs. Henry L. Thomas, the host
and hostess.

Henry L. Thomas and Miss Mary El-
len Felker were married, Dec. 20, 1866,
at the home of the bride's parents,
Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Felker, three
miles northeast of Mt. Morris, the
Rev. Rufus Smith, of the local Luth-
eran church officiating. The young
couple remained in the bride's home
until March when they moved to a
farm in Pine Creek, and began house-
keeping. Three years later they moved
to Rockvale township on their own
farm where they continued to live un-
til 18 years ago where they built their
present home on the corner of Wesley
avenue and Second street.

Both were born in Maryland, com-
ing to Illinois when very young. Mr.
Thomas' father, Joshua Thomas built
what is known as "The Half Way
House," on the Mt. Morris-Oregon
road, (now the home of Frank Thom-
as and family) and there he resided
from 1840 to 1866. He celebrated his
86th birthday last October and is in
good health and very active. Mrs.
Thomas will be 80 in March. Both
are about daily caring for their home,
and they rarely miss the Sunday
morning service at the Lutheran
church of which both are members.
Mr. Thomas believes he is the oldest
settler in this vicinity, having resided
here continuously since 1840, and Mrs.
Thomas since 1865. Mr. Thomas
says when he was a boy his father
had to haul his grain to Chicago with
ox teams, that being the nearest mar-
ket, there were no railroads. He says

A SMART COSTUME



There's a very paintable quality
about this ensemble costume of which
the dress and coat lining are of print-
ed pussy willow taffeta and the coat
of plain silk the same shade of the
groundwork of the printed silk. A
wide scarf finishes the coat.

In those days when this section was
mostly a vast prairie, there were no
insects to destroy crops and other
vegetation and fruit. There was
much timber on their farm in which
grew all kinds of delicious fruit, begin-
ning with the wild strawberries of
early spring, and continuing until late
frost when they gathered the wild
crab apples. Deer were common, and
were also Indians.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas have six chil-
dren: Edgar, Oconomowoc, Wis.; Mrs.
Florence Zoller, Roundup, Mont.; Char-
les, Fergus Falls, Minn.; Fred, Green-
bush, Minn.; Noble and Mrs. Kathryn
Mumma, both of Mt. Morris.

Entertained with Christmas Program

Miss Era Manning, teacher of the
Gap Grove school and her eighteen
pupils entertained about fifty persons
and friends with a program Tuesday
afternoon at the school.

The program consisted of motion
songs, dialogues and readings, well
rendered by the pupils. The room was
decorated beautifully in keeping the
Christmas spirit. A tree splendid in
decorations and laden with gifts, was
also a feature of the afternoon.
Later in the afternoon popcorn and
candy were served to the audience. A
delightful time was enjoyed by all
present and at the close of a very
pleasant afternoon, all thanked Miss
Manning for the pleasant afternoon
and there were many expressions of
appreciation of her splendid work.

Glenn McWethy and Dorothy Fackley Wed

Glenn McWethy and Miss Dorothy
Fackley were married on Christmas
eve at 8 o'clock at the parsonage to
the Brethren church with the pastor
of the church, Rev. A. L. Sellers, of-
ficiating.

The bride was handsomely gowned
in poudre blue satin and wore a cor-
sage of sweet peas. The bride and
bridegroom were attended by Miss Le-
la Preston and Harold Davis, Miss
Preston being prettily gowned in tan
colored crepe. The immediate rela-
tives were present at the ceremony.

After the ceremony Miss Preston en-
tertained with a dinner for eight
guests, honoring the bride and bride-
groom. The table was beautifully de-
corated in roses and Christmas em-
blems.

Mr. and Mrs. McWethy have many
friends who unite in wishing them
happiness.

Celebrate Fifty-fourth Wedding Anniversary

With their nineteen children and
grandchildren surrounding them and
participating in their bounteous
Christmas dinner, Mr. and Mrs. H.
Raffenberg, of 521 Brinton avenue,
yesterday quietly celebrated the fifty-
fourth anniversary of their wedding.
They were married in Sterling, Dec.
25, 1870, Mrs. Raffenberg being Miss
Sarah Lipe of that city. Their life has
been happy and prosperous, and their
many friends are today extending con-
gratulations to them.

CHRISTMAS GUESTS AT
FORD HOME

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Coster, of Rock
Island, and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Felk-

er and son, Robert, were entertained
over Christmas at the Thomas Ford
home in Dixon.

AT J. W. BUSBY
HOME

Mrs. Janet Keast of DeKalb, and
Mr. and Mrs. Harley Swarts of Oak
Park, were entertained over Christmas
at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. W.
Busby.

ENTERTAINED AT TURKEY
DINNER

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Stackpole
entertained with a turkey dinner
Christmas day, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph
R. Stackpole and daughter, Miss Jes-
sica, and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stackpole
and Daniel Swarts, all of this city.

WERE GUESTS AT THE
MANSE FOR CHRISTMAS

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Stutsman of
Franklin Park, Chicago, were guests
Christmas day at the home of Dr. and
Mrs. Prentiss Hovey Case. Mr. Stuts-
man is the brother of Mrs. Case.

ENTERTAINED AT DINNER
LAST EVENING

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Preston en-
tertained at dinner last evening, Mr.
and Mrs. Robert DePuy and family,
W. F. Preston and daughter, Miss
Lella Preston.

WERE GUESTS AT
SEALS HOME

Mr. and Mrs. L. Meredith of Frank-
lin Grove were Christmas guests at

the home of Mrs. Emma Seals and
daughters.

REGULAR MEETING
MINNIE BELL LODGE

There will be a regular meeting of
Minnie Bell lodge this evening.

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Meetings of Interest
to Farmers this Week

On Saturday, Dec. 27 at the Farm
Bureau office at Amboy two meetings
of county wide interest to farmers are
to be held. The first is the Lee County
Shippers' Association annual meeting
at 10:00 a. m. W. H. Elliott of Wil-
liamsfield is the principal speaker. Re-
ports of the year's work in shipping
livestock co-operatively will be given
by Manager G. M. Finch. A two reel
moving picture will be shown of live-
stock marketing, especially at the cen-
tral yards.

At 1:30 in the afternoon the Lee Co.
Protective Association will hold its
first annual meeting at the Farm Bu-
reau Office. Reports of the year's work
and plans for the future will be taken
up in detail. Election of directors and
other business will be transacted.

All who are interested in livestock
shipping and in the control of hunting
and trespassing are urged to attend
both of these meetings.

More than 1000 of the 1380 regis-
tered money-lenders in Liverpool
England, are women.

Intestinal Flue is
Epidemic, Mt. Morris

Mt. Morris.—The funeral of Mrs.
Laura Pond Heistand was held Satur-
day a. m., Dec. 20, at her late home,
with burial in the family lot in Oak-
wood. Her husband, Thomas Heis-
tand, died about 20 years ago. She
is survived by a daughter, Miss Elva
of Mt. Morris, and a sister, Mrs. Alice
Knodle, Aurora.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bonar, who have
spent the past year in town with their
daughter, Mrs. George Sylvester, have
moved back to the farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Walker and Mr.
and Mrs. Orville Sell were Rockford
shoppers Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Driebelbis are
moving to town into the property of
the late Mrs. Doward on Front St.

Anna May Falconer, who has been
given a home the past four years with
Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rodeffer, has
gone to Brooklyn, N. Y., to live with
her mother.

Misses Ruth, Marion and Hazel Mil-
ler entertained the members of the
Luther League in their home Thurs-
day evening.

There is an epidemic of intestinal
flu in the vicinity, the greater num-
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RELATIONS STATE AND CHURCH GIVE FRANCE A PROBLEM

Cabinet and Deputies Face Big Issue at Present Session.

Paris — The relations between church and state in France are one of the most important problems of international policy which the government of M. Herriot will be called upon to face during the present session of the Chamber of Deputies. The Radical-Socialist party, in its electoral campaign culminating in the victory at the polls May 11, made the complete separation of church and state one of its main planks.

None of the proposed governmental measures, the suppression of the embassy at the Vatican, the revision and probable abolition of the concordat in Alsace-Lorraine, and the strict application of the law of 1906, has yet been applied, but the suppression of the credits for the Vatican embassy is certain to give rise to heated debates when the subject comes up for discussion.

M. Herriot's decision to withdraw the French ambassador prompted a letter from the six French cardinals in which they called attention to the deep emotion caused by the ministerial declaration. "If a religious war is declared against the church, the church will face it with regret but not without resistance," the cardinals wrote. There has been considerable agitation in Alsace-Lorraine against Mr. Herriot's proposal to apply to the recovered provinces the same laws as govern the rest of France. The concordat which the government proposes to abolish is an agreement between the German government and the Vatican, whereby the Alsace-Lorraine clergy were allowed state subsidies and religious teaching was given in all schools, Protestant as well as Catholic.

The law of 1906 enacting the complete separation of church and state had, up to 1914, been applied with some leniency. The gallant conduct of the priests during the war when they fought side by side with their companions in the trenches for four years, and the abnegation and devotion of the nuns who, in order to care for the wounded transformed their convents into hospitals, further served to bridge the gulf between church and state. After the armistice all the governments in power up to 1924 have proof of much reluctance to interpret this law too literally.

Illinois Fifth State in Production of Coke

Springfield—(By The Associated Press)—Among the coke producing states of the union, Illinois in the last twenty years has raised itself to the rank of fifth place, and has two distinct areas of low-sulphur coal, one of them, whose full possibilities for coke production are not yet known, according to M. M. Leighton, chief of the State Geological survey. Mr. Leighton has just completed a fifteen-year sampling of Illinois coal, which was started by his predecessor in cooperation with the U. S. Bureau of Mines and the University of Illinois. The state formerly ranked twenty third in the list.

"Extensive sampling of coal in Illinois," Mr. Leighton said, "has made possible the delineation of two areas of low-sulphur coal in Illinois, both areas being in the southern part of the state. The sulphur content of these coals is less than 1.25 per cent, so that if otherwise suitable, they can be employed for the production of metallurgical coke and for the manufacture of water-gas and retort gas. One of these areas, which is small and apparently nearly worked out, lies in Jackson county adjacent to Murphysboro on the north; the other is much larger and includes a large part of the famous Franklin county field, extending from near Duquoin on the west to near Benton on the east and from near Carterville on the south into Jefferson county on the north. The Jefferson county extension is now being developed, and its full limits are not as yet known.

"With the installation of 120 Semet Solvay by-product coke ovens at South Chicago in 1905, a new era in coke making in Illinois was begun and production rose until now Illinois is surpassed by only four other states, whereas in 1904 Illinois was surpassed by 22 other coke producing states. So far, most of the coal has been derived from the East, but Illinois is about to embark upon its third era of coke production, when there will be a marked increase in the use of domestic fuel. Experiments have demonstrated that present operating methods permit considerable substitution of low-sulphur Illinois coal for Eastern coal in the making of Metallurgical coke. Over 1,500 by-product ovens using 9,000,000 tons of coal annually, exist near the Illinois coal field. Already several gas plants have adopted the plan of mixing Illinois coal with Eastern coals for use in gas retorts."

Lt. Harding Welcomed Home by His Townsmen

Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 24—Lieut. John Harding, Jr., one of the world's night fliers, today was to be welcomed home for his first visit since the completion of the world flight. Hundreds of friends headed by an official welcoming committee assembled at the station to greet the aviator. He will be presented with a chest of silver by the people of Nashville.

CLEVERLY DUMB "You couldn't let me have five dollars till next week, could you?" "No, and I can't promise to do it then."—Boston Transcript.

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EXTERMINATION FLAG SMUT IS NOT POSSIBLE

State Division Plant Industry Seeks to Control It.

Urbana—Abandoning their flight to exterminate Australian flag smut in Illinois wheat fields, the state division of plant industry will confine itself, in the future, to efforts to control the disease by planting resistant varieties, according to P. A. Glenn, chief inspector of the division.

In spite of all efforts to check the disease, which first appeared in the United States when it was found in Madison county five years ago, it has continued to spread, and now is found in Kansas and Missouri, as well as in a number of Illinois counties.

Last winter appeared to be a bad winter for the disease, according to Mr. Glenn, and as a result no traces of the disease were found in Hancock and Macoupin counties, counties which suffered slightly from the smut a year ago. Infected fields were found in Washington county, however, indicating that in spite of bad

climatic conditions the disease had spread in some direction.

When the disease was first discovered, Illinois was threatened with a wheat quarantine, as the federal department of agriculture wished to nip it in the bud, and keep it out of American wheat fields. Great efforts were made to exterminate it, but these have been dropped since Kansas and Missouri are not making active fight against the infection in those states.

Little damage will result to Illinois crops if resistant varieties of wheat are planted, Mr. Glenn said. The state bought 700 bushels of wheat last season and gave it to farmers, on the condition that they would sell the harvest for seed purposes. This plan is estimated to have made available approximately 5,000 bushels of resistant wheat for the next crop. Several bearded and smooth varieties of wheat, resistant to the smut, have been discovered, and the state will recommend that these be planted in all infected areas.

Cotton cultivation is making great headway in Australia.

ZEIGENFUS NEW CONSUL POLO M. W. A.

Chief of New Officers of Camp in Near-by City.

Polo.—Miss Virginia Jackola of Rockford is spending the holiday vacation with her mother, Mrs. Grace Jackola.

Roy Long and family and Oliver Gloss of Rockford spent Sunday at the Ambrose Long home.

Harry Rubendahl and wife spent Sunday in Forreston.

Members of the Embroidery club and their families held their annual scramble supper and Christmas party Monday evening at the James Hawkins home.

Christmas exercises and a tree were features of an entertainment given at the Henry school Tuesday

evening. Mrs. Rhoda Davis is the teacher.

John Smith and family and Herman Walter and family of Dixon were Sunday guests at the G. W. Smith home.

After the regular meeting of the W. R. C. Friday evening, a farewell was given Mrs. Beulah Buck, one of the members who will depart soon for Indianapolis. Refreshments were served and Mrs. Buck was presented with a half dozen salad forks.

Harold Albright drove to Freeport Friday.

Ed Keator of Ohio came to visit his mother, Mrs. Sarah Keator who is ill.

Miss Elizabeth Hersch is home from Carthage college for the holidays.

George Ferris and wife have returned from an auto trip to Iowa.

The following officers have been elected to serve for the ensuing year for Polo camp, No. 10, M. W. A.: Consul—John Zeigenfus. Advisor—Charles Horten. Clerk—Ray B. Welch.

Banker—Fred E. Becker.

Escort—A. V. Flowers. Watchman—Henry Zeigenfus. Sentry—Isiah Dotoy.

Trustees—Lawrence F. Piper, Samuel Landis, Ray Strock.

Mr. and Mrs. Swab of Sterling spent Monday at the Elmer Lockwood home.

Irvin Reinert of Freeport visited here Monday.

The American Legion Auxiliary gave a farewell party for Mrs. Alvis Buck Monday evening.

Mrs. Elizabeth Barnes who has been ill is some better. Miss Honora Krainer is home from the Rush Medical college for the holidays.—W.

THE SOLUTION

Tommy, aged four, was very anxious to whistle. He had tried and tried but all in vain. While he was out walking one day with his mother, a colored boy passed them whistling and Tommy cried excitedly: "Mamma, buy me that mouth!"—Charleston News and Courier.

Golden Rule Grocery Saturday Specials

- Sugar 10 lbs. 77c
- Crystal White Soap 10 bars 47c
- Coffee 3 lbs. \$1.20
- Van Camp's Beans 3 cans 29c
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- Amboy Milk 3 cans 27c
- Borden Milk 3 cans 29c
- Sunbeam Flour 49-lb. sack \$2.45
- Goldrim Flour 49-lb. sack \$2.70
- Light House Washing Powder Package 23c
- Krispy Crackers 2 1/2-lb. box 43c
- Pure Lard Lb. 23c
- Fresh Dairy Butter Lb. 45c
- Fresh Eggs Dozen 58c
- Head Lettuce Head 10c
- Celery Large bunch 10c
- Celery Hearts Lb. 20c
- Cabbage Lb. 3c
- Cooking Apples 3 lbs. 24c
- Oranges Dozen 45c and 50c
- Grape Fruit 3 for 25c and 6 for 25c
- Rutabagoes Lb. 3c
- Turnips Lb. 5c
- Potatoes Bushel 70c; Peck 20c

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Try our Byword Peas, 2 cans 35c; 24 Karat fancy sifted Peas, can 25c. We guarantee these peas to please you and after you eat them and think you don't like them we will cheerfully refund your money. Our special price by the two dozen cans in case, Byword wonderful quality, \$3.93; 24 Karat, extra fancy early fine sifted peas by the case, \$5.49. Buy by the case and save money and enjoy quality.

Brown Gloves, pair 20c; White Flannel, pair 20c. Extra good Men's Hose, pair 25c; Children's good school Hose, pair 25c.

1000 sheets Toilet Paper, 3 for 25c; White Graniteware, 25c each; School Tablets, 5 and 10c; Pencils, 5 for 5c, 2 for 5c, and 5c each; Stove Pipe, joint 20c; elbows, 20c each, dampers, 15c; Clothespins, 4 dozen for 10c; Mouse Traps, 4 for 10c; Storm Door Covers, 25c each.

The potatoes we have now are the best we ever had, \$1.68 for two-bushel sacks.

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- Whole Pork Loins, lb. 15c
- Lean Boston Butts, lb. 17 1/2c
- Spare Ribs, lb. 12 1/2c
- Neck Bones, 4 lbs. 25c
- Fresh Pig Feet, 4 lbs. 25c
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- Monarch Coffee, 1 lb. 55c
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- 11 cans Milk \$1.00
- Large can Peaches 25c
- Large can Pears 25c
- Fancy Peas, can 17 1/2c
- Soup—Vegetable and Tomato, can 10c
- Macaroni, Spaghetti and Noodles, 3 boxes 25c
- Evergood Oleo, none better, 2 lbs. 55c
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DIXON'S LEADING MARKET



New York—To a Christmas tree in Times Square—

I like to think of you as you were last Christmas and the years before standing a lonely vigil on a bleak hill.

A twinkling star nestled on your topmost tip, seeming to sway with you in the wind.

And the wind sighed as it passed you by on its melancholy way, leading huddled birds to chirp thanksgiving for your protection.

Moonbeams turned your burden of snow into a glistering diadem.

Lonely stragglers looking up at you saw the dome of heaven come closer and sensed the fluttering of wings.

And thus you became as a shrine in a temple of worship.

But they cut you down to prop you up here, overshadowed and dwarfed by great spectacles of stone and steel. Dirt and foul air swirl about you.

Sparrows come to despoil you, sparrows that have never seen anything of nature so huge as your 40 feet of beauty and majesty.

Ugly wires and harsh light paint you with hard colors. The shuffling of many feet about you never stills.

Electric jumping-jacks and great billboards dim the stars and the moon, and the dome of heaven seems indefinitely out of reach.

Yet in the multitude there may come those who will see, not the hard lights and the despoiled tree, but the hill and the star and the lonely wind and the shrine in the temple. And you will not have died in vain.

And when your day of tinsel is done there may be found one open hearth in all this town around which men and children may gather to breathe the balm of your burning boughs and to build castles in your glowing embers.

And of those who dream and build will come to know that skyscrapers and poems and electric signs and subways are made by fools like all of us, but only God can make a tree, there will have been beauty in your passing

JAMES W. DEAN

New York—It's a merry merry Christmas in New York. In the past three days ten men and women have died from drinking poisoned booze. In the first half of the month 25 died from the same cause. The number will increase rapidly during Yuletide.

Booze is by far the most popular Christmas present in Gotham. Some firms buy it in wholesale lots to pass out to patrons or employees. Except for increased prices liquor is as easy to obtain in New York as it was before the eighteenth amendment was passed.

There are fully 10,000 places in New York where liquor can be bought. There are fully as many bootleggers who have no place of business but deliver orders to customers at offices and homes. This is not just a wild guess. The statement is based on observation.

You can find bootleggers in all walks of life here. Many of them are druggists, delicatessen merchants, apartment house superintendents and cafe proprietors.

One man is known as the "Tiffany of Bootleggers." He handles only the very best of imported liquors and wines. He lives on Riverside Drive. Most of his patrons are millionaires. He gets \$15 a quart for whiskey. Most of the whiskey sold around town and supposed to be the "real stuff" sells at \$6 a quart.

With such an active trade in booze

the year around it is to be expected that great amounts of poisoned liquor made in stables and tenements will flow at Christmas time.

Booze sent the only thing bootlegged in New York. There is an embargo against chickens from certain states because of a disease epidemic among the fowl. Many of the condemned fowl have been sneaked out of the freight depots and sold in New York, reputable poultry dealers report to the health commissioner.

It just had to come sooner or later! I saw her in a tea room in the upper Forties. It was in black and gold and extended from her throat to her waist. Yes, yes, it was a cross-word puzzle panel worked in her dress.

Perhaps you've wondered how jewel thieves meet rich women, gain their good graces and find the opportunity for their crooked work. I am told that a fashionable millinery shop in the Fifties is the agency for many introductions between the underworld and the idle wives of the rich. A woman of means visits the shop to buy a hat. Upon a subsequent visit a clerk casually remarks that she knows a man "who is just crazy" about the lady. The lady's interest is intrigued. Later the milliner's clerk introduces the man and the lady. The man usually is a handsome fellow, fashionably attired and well qualified to meet his victim on her own footing. The rest is easy.

JAMES W. DEAN

New York.—The Strollers Club has taken a new lease on life. In a day gone by, many of New York's leaders in art, sport, society and finance belonged to this club.

Chauncey Depew and John Drew used to engage in a battle of wits and along would come Theodore Roosevelt with some humor-laden remark and vanquish them both.

The first cabaret in New York was introduced by the Strollers, when May Irwin and Marie Dressler entertained at club suppers.

At the reorganization supper General Bullard and Admiral Fiske and others spoke of serious subjects, but the next day the old boys got together and sang club songs and departed themselves generally in the manner of the college frat man.

Members belong to most of the other clubs in town, but form new alliances in the various groups of the Strollers.

One of the most unusual occupations to be found in New York is that of worm-digger. Hundreds of city folks go fishing on Sundays and Saturdays. They haven't time to dig their own bait. Most of them would not know where to dig for worms, or what kind to take when they found them. Along the Long Island railroad stations in the neighborhood of Jamaica Bay are to be seen many signs advertising worms for sale. Others dig bait for the tackle stores who retail them to patrons. Very comfortable livings are earned by the worm diggers, some of them making as high as \$30 a day with the aid of their children. They own radios, yachts and autos.

A merchant on Seventh avenue is selling out his stock. "Tricked by the Weather" is the sign that proclaims his reason for the sale. Lack of winter weather has brought about very substantial losses by all New York merchants depending on the cold for trade. This is probably the worst season the local coal men ever have had.

and although the judge said it was "for life," yet I want you to know that some day somewhere I am going to get even with you. It is now nearly two years, my girl, since you sat up there in the witness chair and swore my life away. No one but you and I sitting down below you, knew that when Cal Smith brought you home in that car and you found me waiting for you, you threw yourself in my arms and hysterically told me to kill the man sitting beside you for he had injured you.

I know now that you did this because you wanted to save your own worthless life. I know now that Cal Smith had been your lover for over a year and you had grown tired of him; and I know that when you found me waiting for you and knew that I had intended to kill you both because of the anonymous letter that you yourself had sent me, you were perfectly willing to sacrifice your lover and your husband if you could go stark free.

TOMORROW—This letter continued.

Alleged Auto Thief Arrested in Chicago

Chicago, Dec. 24—Martin Ertle was arrested today in connection with the recovery of a stolen automobile in Aurora, Illinois. Harry Westling, owner of the machine, identified Ertle, according to the police, as the man who stole the car in August 1922. The car was abandoned in Aurora after a revolver battle between the occupant and deputy sheriffs.

Chicago Starts Move for Airplane Center

Chicago, Dec. 24—Major Philip Kemel, commander of the 8th Army Area Reserve Flying Corps, has been named by Mayor Dever to head a municipal aero committee to select landing field sites and develop aviation in the city. Resolutions passed by the city council yesterday declared Chicago's geographical position would make it the country's leading air port as well as the world's greatest railroad center.

An English inventor has designed a submarine magnet for lifting masses of iron and steel plate from wreckage.

FRECKLES AND HIS FRIENDS



Naughty Santa



BY BLOSSER

SALESMAN SAM



And That's the Last He Saw of Them



BY SWAN

MOM'N POP



A Gift Is a Gift with Mom



BY TAYLOR

BOOTS AND HER BUDDIES



Wasted Energy



BY MARTIN

McTangle

LETTER FROM BEATRICE SUMMERS TO LESLIE PRESCOTT, CONTINUED

I have written all this, Leslie, which may seem out of place in a letter which should convey to you my great sympathy, simply to take your mind, if possible, away from yourself.

After every upheaval in one's life, one must adjust one's self to one's world and the sooner one does it instead of trying to adjust one's world to one's self, the more content one will be.

After all, Leslie, it is content that you and I want, isn't it? Not content with our achievements, for that would mean stagnation—but content with our environments.

Yes, dear, I know you are saying that I am the same philosophical analytical old Bee that you have always known. Dick says I grow to be more of a philosopher and analyst every day and he tells me that it makes for too great seriousness in my life and I retort that one of us needs it.

I never can understand how a man can put away all the seriousness and responsibilities of his business—but then, completely out of his mind—and become absolutely another person at times.

Dick is said to be the most "hard-boiled" producing manager in the whole moving picture business but when he gets home with me or when we are out having a good time he is just a great big pleasure-loving boy.

Dear Leslie, I am thinking of you all the time. I love you always and hope you can come out here and at least enjoy our wonderful climate. We will try to change your thoughts to something happier.

BEE.

Letter From Douglas Turner to Mable Carter

You thought you were well rid of me, you little she-devil, but this is to tell you that I am still on earth, still thinking of you, still planning how I can make you pay for what you have done for me.

I may be behind stone walls, Mable,

THE OLD HOME TOWN

BY STANLEY



IT WAS FIRST REPORTED STATION AGENT DAD KEYES HAD BEEN FOUND STABBED WITH A DAGGER. THE DAGGER TURNED OUT TO BE A HALF-SMOKED CHRISTMAS CIGAR THAT PROVED TOO MUCH FOR DAD.

OUT OUR WAY

BY WILLIAMS



'A MAN'S A MAN'—WHEN MA SAYS SO

JR WILLIAMS

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FOR SALE—If you have any second-hand clothes for sale try an ad in The Telegraph. One ad of 25 words will cost 50 cents.

FOR SALE—We are makers of beautiful and artistic lamp shades and shades. The Newel Studios, 119 N. Wabash Ave., Chicago. Affiliated with Abbotts Art Gallery. Henry F. Newel, Harold R. Masten, Advisory Artists and Designers in Home Decorators.

FOR SALE—Farmers if you want a sale bill that will attract attention, order them of The B. F. Shaw Print. Co., Dixon.

FOR SALE—Insurance. H. U. Bardwell Agency.

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FOR SALE—Insurance. Fire or auto. It will be greatly to your interest to see H. U. Bardwell, 119 E. First St. if

FOR SALE—Heal—Nothing as good for aching tired feet. Once you use it and know its real worth you will never be without it. Drugist everywhere carry it.

FOR SALE—Duplicate Bridge scores. B. F. Shaw Printing Co.

FOR SALE—Nurses record sheets. B. F. Shaw Printing Co., Dixon, Ill.

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DAN BARRY'S DAUGHTER BY MAX BRAND

BEGIN HERE TODAY

Finding the lifeless bodies of his two partners at their gold-mining camp, Harry Gloster flies southward, knowing that he will be accused of the crime. On the way Gloster saves the life of a stranger, Lee Haines, from the murderous hands of a scoundrel by the name of Joe MacArthur.

"Joan" lives with an old recluse, Buck Daniels, presumably her father, in a ranch house. One night she slips away and rides to a schoolhouse several miles distant, where a dance is in progress. Riding home, she is surprised to hear a man's voice call to her in the thick darkness. The man is Harry Gloster. She hides in the shadows and will not let him approach her.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY
It seemed to her now that she was seeing a man for the first time. And what a man he was! How he had stood forth in the schoolhouse dance hall among the crowd!

"I'll keep my promise," he was saying. "If you want to hold me to it. But it's sort of hard to talk to a tree this way."

"I don't see why," Joan murmured. "You can hear me—I can hear you."

"It ain't the words that I mean," he insisted. "They're the least part of a talk."

"What is it made up of, then?" "The way you turn your head, the way you lift your eyes, the way you smile or you frown, and the color of your hair, is a pile more important than a hundred words, the best words that ever come out of any one's mouth."

She was silent. "Are you afraid to tell me your name?" he asked.

Still she did not speak, and she saw him drop his head a little and close his hands.

"Listen to me," he said almost sternly. "If you've run away from your husband and gone gadding to-night—no matter what it is that makes you want to keep it secret, I'll keep that secret on my honor. But let me know enough so that I can find you again!"

She saw the picture in vivid colors—this big fellow coming home to call on her, and Buck Daniels meeting him at the door; terrible Buck Daniels, in whose hands the metal and wood of a revolver became a living thing which could not fail to kill.

"I can't tell you," she said. "But, if you don't, I'll never be able to find you. Yet I shall find you, if I have to spend 10 years hunting. But, good God—with only your voice to go on! Will you change your mind?"

"I cannot," she cried, half sobbing. "My God," cried the big man, "I'd give 10 years of my life for one look at you; but if I can't have that, will you sing the song again for me?"

Twice she tried the opening note, and twice her voice shook away to nothingness and failed her. But then the sound arose very soft and yet clear as a bell ringing:

"Que viva la rumba; que viva, que viva placer; que viva las ninas, chullitas bonitas. Y quapas que saben querer!"

When the last note died away she was only a step from Peter. It was not until that moment that Harry Gloster seemed to realize that she was deserting him.

She heard his voice crying out after her, and then she was lost in a blind panic which made her rush for Peter and then sent her flying away on his back. The sound of his feet over the rocks and sand and the panting breath he drew drowned

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any calling from behind. A moment later she was out of earshot and, looking back, she saw that she was unprepared.

CHAPTER VII Out of Sight

THERE was an excellent reason for that. Harry Gloster had heard her horse break out of the shrubbery and, running to the place, he was in time to see the bay gelding, glittering in the moonlight, darting away at full speed. Even with an equal start he knew that he could not keep in touch with that fugitive. And through a strange country by night it was impossible to trace her.

Yet he was so excited that for a time reason had nothing to do with his actions. He ran a short distance on foot before he realized his folly. Then, standing for another moment, he watched the horse fade into the

moon-haze and knew that he had lost her indeed.

The sound of her voice and "Que viva la rumba" was all that he had by which to trail her. It would have been better to have had nothing at all.

But he found that impulse was breaking through reason again and again. He had heard only her voice, but it was a voice to dream of—low, sweet-toned, gentle—and all the freshness of girlhood was in it. She must be beautiful, he told himself, with such a voice as that.

He was beginning to feel that an ugly fate had hold of him in this country.

Haines had told him that Joe MacArthur was the name of the man he had knocked out, and Joe MacArthur would thunder south along the trail which a dozen people could point out to him. Let him go! Harry Gloster would start later and by a different route. For he had no profession in the use of a gun.

He himself could occasionally hit a target—if it were large enough and he had time enough to aim with care, but this magic of swift drawing and murderous straight shooting combined was quite beyond him. Fighting for its own sake he loved with a passionate devotion.

But to face a gunman would be suicide. So he had lingered in the town until the dark, and then he started forth leisurely on a trail that ran south and west. So it was that he came to the lighted schoolhouse. Twice he rode by it, and twice he turned and came back to listen to the bursts of young voices and to the gurgle of the music. All common sense told him to be off and away. But it was a year since he had

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danced, and Harry Gloster was young.

So he went inside the school, but once inside he regretted his step more than ever. Something had died in him, so it seemed, during that last year. The music was flat; not a smile which his great size and his handsome face won for him penetrated his armor of indifference, and, after he had spent 15 minutes in the hall he got up and left. He was on a way to his horse when he heard

"Que viva la rumba, que viva, que viva placer—ring sweet and thin from the thicket. And now he was coming back toward his horse with the solemn realization that there would be no shelter for him below the Rio Grande. For, sooner or later, he must come back to find the trail of this nameless girl, and, when he returned, he would be placing his head in the lion's mouth of the law.

He paused again on his way to the horse. The music had a different meaning now. His pulse was quick. His blood was hot.

Up the steps he went, and into the hurly-burly of a dance which was just beginning. He was too late to get a partner. As usual, there were three men for every two girls at this western dance. Every girl was swept up in half a minute after a dance began, and still there were men along the walls and smoking on the steps.

Harry Gloster went to the orchestra. Into the hand of the violinist Harry Gloster slipped a five dollar bill.

"Switch back to 'Que viva la rumba' when you get a chance," he said, and walked hurriedly away, for if he had stayed the old musician would doubtless have had pride enough to refuse the money. It was a tax dance which he was watching, a queer institution installed particularly for merrymakings in which there was a shortage of girls. Once the dance was under way, the men from the sides worked onto the floor and touched the arms of those who were planning with the girls of their choice. And so there was, perforce, a change of partners, and many a girl found herself whirling away in the arms of a man she had never known before.

Harry Gloster, from the side, watched the jumble of interweaving forms—saw the vain effort of dancing couples to elude the approach of the taggers—heard the uproar of laughter which almost drowned the strain of the waltz. There was a brief pause in the music, then the orchestra struck into the pleasant rhythm of "Que viva la rumba," and the dance, which had hardly paused, started again more wildly than ever.

Gloster, searching the faces, felt that they had been transformed. That old touch of magic which he had felt in his boyhood, now had returned. One dance, then away for the border!

How should he choose? They all appeared delightful enough to him now. Yonder one with red hair was tagged so often that she was repeatedly whirling from the arms of one man to another, and yet her laughter never stopped? Should he touch her arm?

And there was another, slender, joyous—who changed partners often enough, but never lost her step. And here was a third with great, brown eyes and brown hair coiled low on her neck and dressed in a clinging mist of a gown like a sunset-tinted bit of cloud—

Instantly Harry Gloster, was through the press, moving with wonderful lightness for so large a man. He touched the arm of the man who danced with that pink-clad vision, and received a stare of surprise from under level black brows.

"Next time around, Nell," said he, stepping slowly back and still keeping his glance fixed upon Gloster.

"All right, John," she answered, and then was away in the arms of Gloster.

"Nobody was taggin' you," he said.

"If John doesn't get me," she was saying, "on this round, he'll be furious."

"It does John good to be furious," answered Gloster. "We're too happy to be bothered."

"You are or will be. I'm happy enough to make up for two. It's overflowing. D'you feel it come out of my fingertips at your back, like electricity?"

Her eyes were frightened, but her lips were smiling.

"What are you doing?" "Talking you with me. For five minutes, you understand? Going to see how much action we can crowd into that time."

"And after that—" "I'm going away. Never see you again!"

"You're not like other people," she said almost spitefully.

"Not a bit. Here's John again! Dance faster. Longer steps! We're going to dodge him if you help—"

And help she did. She became an light as that whirling leaf he had thought of before. It seemed that his mere volition was guiding her.

"The devil!" muttered Harry Gloster.

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STATE OFFICIALS TO BE INDUCTED MONDAY, JAN. 12

Plans Made for Inauguration; No Ball, Big Reception.

Governor Len Small, Lieutenant Governor Fred E. Sterling and Secretary of State L. L. Emerson held a conference in Springfield Monday regarding plans for the inauguration of the newly-elected state officials. Other state officers were unable to reach there on account of storm-delayed trains.

Ceremonies Jan. 12.
If the house gets organized by the decision of a Speaker and other routine business is out of the way, it is the plan now to hold the inaugural ceremonies Monday noon, Jan. 12, probably in the State Arsenal, so that there may be room to accommodate all visitors to the state capital that day.

The Hamilton club, of Chicago, is planning a special train to Springfield Sunday night, Jan. 11, as is also former Mayor Wm. Hale Thompson.

To Hold Reception.
There will be no inaugural ball, but a reception will be held at the Executive Mansion the evening of inauguration day. On account of this reception coming so close, Gov. Small will not hold the usual New Year's day reception at the Mansion.

The General Assembly will convene Wednesday, Jan. 7, the Senate and House caucuses being held the night before.

Navy Radio Broadcasts Million Words a Month

Washington, Dec. 24.—An average of 1,000,000 words a month is now being handled by the naval communication office in the navy department over its radio system. Traffic for every department of the government save the post office, is handled.

The navy's radio sending stations in this country are located at Arlington, Va., Sayville, N. Y., and Annapolis, Md. The receiving is done at the navy department.

Transmission of radio messages through the three big-powered stations is accomplished by means of a remote control. The operator, sitting at his desk in the navy building working his key, sends his signal over leased telegraph wires to one of the three stations. Impression is made on the key system at the station by means of a relay, and the message is automatically forwarded from there.

Illinois Firemen to Meet in Murphysboro

Murphysboro.—(By The Associated Press)—Progress made in methods of fire control and prevention in this country and abroad, the training of firemen, and a memorial service for those who have lost their lives in action, will be principle items on the program of the annual convention of the Illinois Firemen's convention to be held here January 13 to 16.

A. E. Thode, of Galena, president of the association will respond to the address of welcome, extended by Secretary H. H. Burch of the Murphysboro Chamber of Commerce, Tuesday morning, January 13. Other addresses of that day will include one by Thomas R. Johnstone of Indianapolis on "Fire Departments and Fire Prevention in Foreign Countries," another by L. L. Wolf of Cincinnati, on the training of firemen and another by Theodore E. Simmons of Danville, Ill. on the educational value of the convention.

Memorial services will be held Tuesday evening, the address to be delivered by Prof. H. W. Shryock.

ABE MARTIN



It must be awful to lose the savings of a life time after smokin' stores for years. Mrs. Tipton Bad's nephew, who went to Kansas some years ago, writes that he's gittin' on fine an' has been asked to take part in a par- in program.

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president of the Southern Normal University, Carbondale, Judge D. T. Hartwell of Marion, Thomas P. Johnstone, of Indianapolis, and President A. W. Thode, also will speak.

After a business session Wednesday morning, the delegates will listen to an address "Adequate Ordinances and Their Relation to Fire Prevention," by John G. Gamber, state fire marshal, at Springfield.

Martin Bolt, director of the department of mines and minerals, Springfield, will speak on "Mine Fires and How to Control Them," at the afternoon session, after which the delegates will march in a body to view manufacturer's exhibits.

Two addresses will mark the closing session of the convention, "The Proper Care of Chemical Apparatus and Extinguishers" by Dan C. Bennett, of Chicago, and "Schools for Firemen" by M. S. Phillips, chief of the Fire Department, Chicago Heights.

Wild Ducks Grateful for Meals and Shelter

Kingsville, Ont.—Interesting data on how birds of a feather flock together, and how they return year after year, in the course of migrations, to any port that will provide them with protection and food in a storm, has been obtained by Jack Miner, naturalist, at his bird sanctuary here.

Mr. Miner caught 17 wild mallard ducks in a net, and ascertained that six of the older birds had already been marked with his aluminum tags bearing various verses of Scripture. One bird was at least six years old, having been marked in 1918. All the birds were supplied with new 1924 tags.

Negro Purse Snatcher Killed by Policemen

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Two negro policemen were shot, one fatally, and an alleged purse snatcher was killed in a pistol fight late last night between the officers and two negroes they had stopped to question.

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OGLE COUNTY JOINS BETTER COWS' DRIVE

Trading of Sires is Part of Program in County.

Oregon.—In line with the campaign against inferior dairy sires in Illinois, a bull-exchange plan is being put in operation through the county Farm Bureau whereby farmers and dairy-men will have an opportunity to trade in their grade and scrub bulls for purebred bull calves. The plan, which will be carried out through the cooperation of dairy cattle breeders of the state, county farm advisers and the College of Agriculture, was worked out by C. S. Koode, dairy extension specialist of the college. This is believed to be the first time that the idea has been developed on a large scale.

Breeders of the state who would be called upon to furnish the purebred bull calves have put their stamp of approval on the exchange plan, as shown by the replies received from them in response to a letter sent out by Rhode. Approximately 100 breeders were consulted and in practically every case the project met with favor and, in some cases, enthusiasm. Those in charge of the plan believe that it will be the means of replacing approximately 100 scrub and grade bulls on farms of the state with purebreds at an average of about five for each county.

Under the terms of the project, farm advisers will be kept informed as to who the breeders are who are cooperating in the exchange plan and who have purebred bull calves for exchange. In this way farmers and dairymen who wish to make an exchange can conveniently arrange for it through the farm adviser's office. When an exchange has been arranged, the breeder will register, transfer and ship the calf, but the express charges will be paid by the farmer. After receiving the calf, the farmer will sell his grade or scrub bull and turn the sales slip and check over to the county farm bureau treasurer who in turn will send it to the breeder who furnished the purebred calf.

The need for more and better purebred bulls is seen by Rhode as one of the most pressing ones in the improvement of Illinois dairying, and it is believed that the bull exchange plan will go far toward solving this problem. At the present time not more than 20 per cent of the dairy bulls used in the state are purebred. "Hundreds of purebred bull calves are vealed in Illinois every year because breeders feel that they cannot afford to raise them," Rhode said in pointing out the possibilities of the plan. "At the same time there are many farmers in the state who would be glad to exchange their grade or scrub bulls for these bull calves, such an exchange should at least give the breeder real prices for his

SANITATION IS BIG CHECK FOR CHICK DISEASE

Ill. Ag. College Man Discusses Epidemic in This State.

Urbana, Dec. 24.—Sanitation, coupled with proper housing and the right kind of feed, are at present the only hopes for checking the mysterious poultry disease which has developed in the middle west and which has since resulted in numerous embargoes, according to Dr. I. B. Boughton of the animal pathology and hygiene division of the Illinois Agricultural college.

For a time the disease seemed to be confined to chickens held in poultry produce plants but at present is widespread in farm flocks as well, he said. "Sick birds that show symptoms of the disease should be killed and, together with the chickens that already are dead, should be burned," Dr. Boughton asserted. "Thorough disinfection of the pens, houses and lots should be carried out immediately and faulty house construction corrected so that the chickens will be protected from drafts and cold, damp floors. Grain rations should be reduced and laxative feeds substituted. Radical measures such as these may seem severe, but they are justifiable in the face of the enormous losses that al-

ready have been caused by the present outbreak. Individual treatment is not practical and may even be dangerous, inasmuch as sources of infection would thus be left."

The disease is apparently highly contagious and attacks birds of all ages, according to Dr. Boughton. Fat, healthy birds seem to be particularly susceptible to it. Drafts, exposure to cold during shipment, cold poultry houses and overcrowding, especially the latter seem to be predisposing factors in outbreaks of the sickness. Investigators have been unable to find any germ which they think can be the cause of the disease.

"In many outbreaks the first thing noticed by the owner is one more dead bird under the roost. More often, however, the affected birds show a watery nasal discharge together with difficulty in breathing. This wheezing and gasping for breath may persist for a few hours or the bird may suffocate in a few minutes after the nasal discharge is noticed."

Inheritances from U. S. Protected in Warsaw

Warsaw. (By Associated Press).—The distribution of inheritances coming from America is the subject of a circular letter which the minister of justice has sent to all courts in Galicia.

The ministry learned that in many cases these courts, instead of paying over the money in compliance with the instructions of Polish consular officers in the United States based

France Also Opposes Evacuation of Germany

Paris, Dec. 24.—(By The Associated Press)—The evacuation of the Cologne area of the German occupied region on January 19 as conditionally set by the Versailles peace treaty, is deemed impossible by the French cabinet, in view of the reports from the inter-allied military control commission. At this morning's cabinet meeting the ministers approved a memorandum in which the French government expressed this conclusion.

H. U. Bardwell, secretary of the Loan & Building association, has returned from a business trip to Springfield.

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English Holiday Seekers Incline to Cruises at Sea

London.—Following the example set by many Americans, Britons are developing the habit of going on sea cruises, so much so that several of the principal shipping companies are assigning large steamers to carry parties on cruises for three weeks or a month.

Would-be travellers gradually are realizing that such trips are economical, and that better weather generally can be relied upon in the Mediterranean and Scandinavia than has been experienced this year in England.

Most Beautiful Girl in Chicago is Killed

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Angelita Cucinello, chosen a year ago out of 10,000 as Chicago's most beautiful girl, was identified last night in a morgue as the woman killed earlier in the day by a skidding truck while on her way to work.

\$100,000 Robbery in Chicago Hotel Wednesday

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Two youthful robbers held up employees and guests of the Parkway Hotel early today and rifled the safety boxes in the safe of more than \$100,000. It was disclosed after the guests made a hurried check-up of their valuables. The robbers escaped.

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